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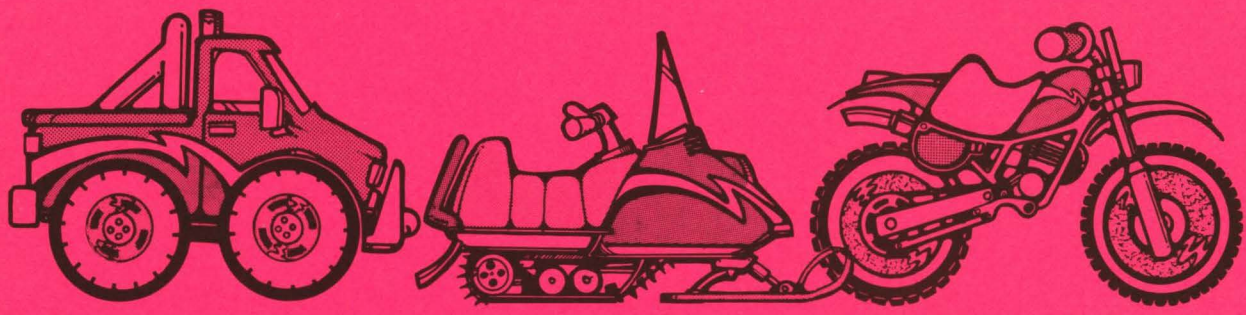

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TALES and TEASERS

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- TREAD LIGHTLY Brochure
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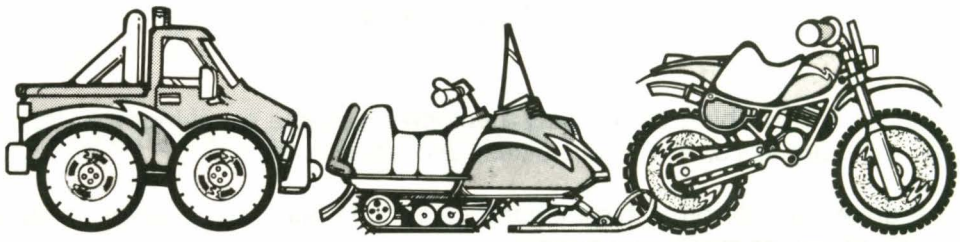

TREAD LIGHTLY!

Dear Student,

Congratulations for enrolling in a Hunter Education Program. You are to be commended for your interest and participation.

Included in your lessons will be information pertaining to the use of off-highway vehicles (OHV's) that will be of value to you.

When you successfully complete the course you will receive A TREAD LIGHTLY pledge card. You may take the card to a nearby Forest Service office where you will be given a TREAD LIGHTLY sticker of your choice to put on your vehicle. If there is not a Forest Service office near you, ask your instructor to help you get a sticker.

Good Luck in your class and please TREAD LIGHTLY!

Sincerely,

Cliff Blake

Cliff Blake
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DEFINITIONS

OHV . . . A general term describing all motorized vehicles capable of off-highway travel during winter or summer. Includes 4x4's, ATV's, dirt bikes, and snowmobiles.

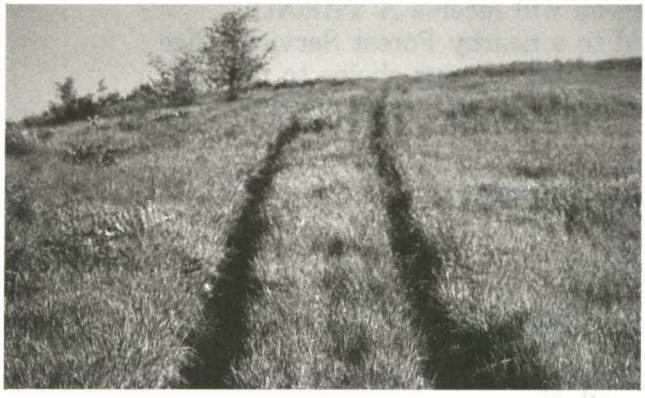
4x4 . . . A 4-wheel drive truck or other high clearance vehicle (such as a Jeep) designed for off-highway travel carrying two or more passengers.

ATV . . . A motorized all-terrain vehicle less than 50 inches wide, usually weighing less than 700 pounds, traveling on three or more low pressure tires.

Dirt Bike . . . A 2-wheel motorcycle designed for off-highway travel. Often not equipped with safety features necessary to be licensed for highway use.

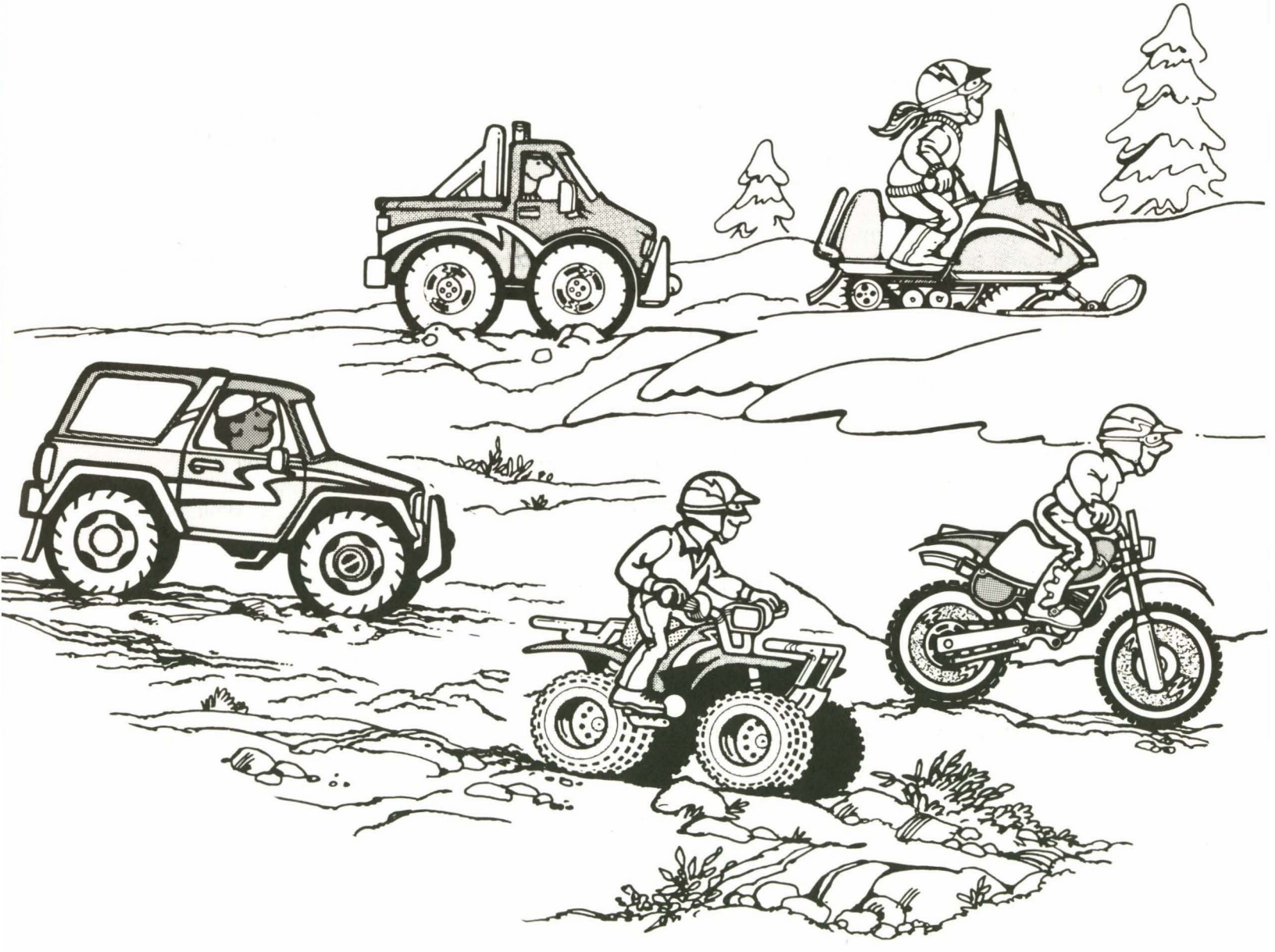
Snowmobile . . . Any motorized vehicle designed to travel on snow using skis, tracks, belts, or runners.

Travel Map . . . A map which illustrates where recreation vehicles may travel on roads, trails, and areas managed by a Federal, State, or other government agency. Also illustrates which roads, trails, and areas are closed to vehicle travel seasonally or yearlong.



A single track started by an OHV may end up as an unwanted road—scarring the landscape, causing soil erosion, and damaging wildlife habitat. (USDA Forest Service photo)

TWO TALES
(with questions too!)



MEADOW MADNESS*

The morning light was sparkling with dew. A light wind rustled drying leaves overhead. The mountain was so quiet Randy could almost hear the ticking of his father's watch as they waited for the nervous buck to re-enter the meadow from the dense forest. Randy now realized how smart his dad had been to tie their horses in the trees down the mountain. Their scent might have alerted the cautious deer that hunters were in the area.

Randy's father was not surprised to see the buck. He had hunted this mountain for years and never been disappointed. But this was Randy's first hunt—with a rifle that is. He had spent months waiting for just this morning. His gun was in perfect condition.

Majestically and silently the buck browsed on leaves as he stepped near the meadow. The two hunters watched in total silence, awaiting a perfect moment.

Suddenly the sleek deer bolted into the forest, his great rack blending with the low limbs of the pines. He was gone. There was no trace he had ever been more than a dream shared by father and son.

As they lowered their rifles, filled with disappointment and disbelief, the whirr and buzz of an engine—no two engines—approached. There! At the edge of the meadow, where moments ago stood a noble buck, there appeared the ATV's. First one, then a second four-wheeled machine shot out of the forest, slammed down into the meadow, spun around in the soft, muddy soil, and came to rest not a hundred yards from the unseen hunters.

The father held Randy's arm when Randy lurched to his feet. Randy wanted to scream at the ATVers for ruining his first hunt. As his dad gripped his elbow, Randy heard the intruders bragging and laughing.

"Boy, did you see those horses jump around when we gunned our motors?" jeered one.

"Yeah," scoffed the other, "and who says we need a map to find our way around? Going where we want to is a lot more fun!"

Minutes later the machine riders were off as quickly as they had so noisily arrived, their rifles jolting on the handlebars as they ground through the gears and splattered each other with meadow mud. The air filled with fumes as they climbed over the bushes and logs of the forest. Whining engines echoed through the mountains.

"Why Dad?" Randy asked. "Why do they get a kick out of spooking the horses and tearing up the forest? I wonder how far that buck has run by now?"

"Well, it looks like there is nothing left for us to do but catch a couple of horses," answered Dad dejectedly, leading the way back down the mountain.

The little meadow was quiet once again. There was not a bird, nor a deer, nor any other wildlife in sight. All Randy could see was an oily, blue reflection in the trickling water beneath the churned up meadow.

*Adapted from a story by Margaret Pettis, Hyrum, Utah, 1986

MEADOW MADNESS DISCUSSION:

1. What kind of OHV do you use (if any) to get into the back country?

2. In what ways did the boys in the "Meadow Madness" story affect plants, soil, water, and wildlife?

3. How did they affect horses and other people? If this took place on private land, how would the owner react?

4. Imagine that you are Randy. How do you feel about your first hunting day?

5. If you had a few minutes to give the boys on the ATV's some riding tips, what would you tell them?

6. What can be learned from this story?

MEADOW MANNERS*

Pete and Jay were up at dawn. Before long, they were wheeling their ATV's down the campground road, their motors off to avoid waking other campers.

Last fall in the hunter education class, Pete and Jay became good friends. They learned that safety is everything and that if an accident did happen, traveling in pairs could save a life. The stickers on their gas tanks were reminders that they not only knew the safe way to handle their ATV's, but they also knew how to TREAD LIGHTLY. Their hunter education class had taught that too.

"Well Jay," said Pete, "can you believe today is the day? We've been planning this deer hunt for months. I hope we see a big buck today."

"I'm sure we will," answered Jay. "I hear this mountain is full of trophy bucks." They tightened the straps on their helmets and checked their scabbards.

"There is a lot of territory to cover in these mountains," continued Pete. "Can you imagine being lost?" "I'm sure glad we picked up that Travel Map from the Forest Service. You know, when we were reading it last night I learned a whole bunch of new stuff about this place."

"Yeah, me too," answered Jay. "I thought I knew all there was to know about these hills, but the Forest Service has marked trails and roads, open and closed areas, listed restrictions, and given us a lot of other information."

By this time the boys were out of the campground. They started their engines and headed up Grouse Lake Trail into the mountains.

It was a beautiful morning. From the trail, Jay spotted a doe and fawn on the far bank of the stream. "Pete," he signaled, "cut your motor. Look at that spotted baby dart into the forest behind its mother."

Restarting their machines, the two boys came to a place where the trail crossed a wet meadow. "If we stay on the hiking trail ahead of us we'll dig up the meadow and create a muddy mess," said Pete. "I've seen ATVers ruin fragile meadows before. Let's skirt the meadow by staying on the rocky edge of the forest and pick up the trail again on the far side."

After another half mile, they came upon two saddle horses tied in the trees. The animals' ears were riveted on the churning machines. The horses pulled against their ropes to keep as far back as they could from the strange vehicles coming up the trail.

Pete and Jay cut their motors, climbed off, and pushed their fat-tired machines quietly past the two frightened horses, murmuring to them in calm voices. As they started their motors again Pete said, "If we had spooked those horses with our engines, we'd be chasing all over these mountains trying to catch them."

In the cool, crisp air the boys kept their gears low and steady to avoid startling every wild animal in the area. To cross the creek, they used the lowest gear so they wouldn't damage the stream bottom or muddy the waters for fish downstream.

"Look at these tracks where some other ATVers have run through this tall grass and cut figure eights in that little wet meadow," said Jay.

"A few bad apples spoil the whole barrel my Mom always said," answered Pete, "and a few bad ATVers could close this whole mountain for all of us!"

At the top of the trail stood the Grouse Creek Wilderness sign. "According to this Forest Service Travel Map," said Jay, "vehicles are not allowed in any Wilderness Area. From here on, we're on our feet."

The boys parked their ATV's in the trees, unhitched their rifles from the handlebars, and tucked their helmets behind a log. With their gear on their backs, they were ready to go.

"One more thing," said Pete, "we better sign in at this registration box. In case we have trouble, our rescuers will have a clue about where we're headed."

"Good thinking," answered Jay, as they jotted their general plans. "Let's go. This is going to be one great day!"

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MEADOW MANNERS DISCUSSION:

1. If you were a hunter on foot and saw the boys circle the meadow as they did, what would you say about the way they treated the forest, and other forest visitors like you?

2. How did their actions affect the plants and wildlife?

3. List at least three examples of what the boys in this story did RIGHT—and explain why.

4. List at least four pieces of information you can learn from reading a National Forest Travel Map; or similar maps from other agencies.

5. If the mountain had been private land, what would the boys have done before starting on their hunt?

6. What can be learned from this story?

TRAVEL MAP SUPPLEMENT

The Travel Map will illustrate and explain which roads, areas, and trails are open, closed, or restricted seasonally or year-long.

OPEN MOST OF THE TIME:

• Main roads, unless wet and soft. These are excellent snowmobile routes if they are not plowed during winter. Remember, most of the damage done on Forest roads and trails occurs during wet hunting seasons and in the wet spring.

• Unused logging and other **high clearance** roads when dry. These roads, when designated open, offer challenges sought by dirt bike, ATV, and 4x4 users. If snow-packed, watch for cross-country skiers.

• Trails outside Wildernesses. Some are open only to foot or horse traffic. Others are open to two-wheel dirt bikes, but not to 4x4's and three- or four-wheel ATV's.

• Gentle, open countryside. An occasional dirt bike, ATV, or 4x4 will cause little damage IF the ground is dry. If unwanted roads and trails develop, the area may be closed to all OHV's.

CLOSED PART TIME:

• Wildlife rearing areas. Specific areas may be closed in spring when disturbances can drive animals from important habitat.

• Wet, soft trails (outside Wildernesses). Sometimes spring thaw and fall snow storms will be reason to close some routes to vehicles to prevent damage and costly repair. When roads dry, they will be reopened.

• Wildlife winter habitat. Late in the season, food is scarce. OHV's disturb weakened animals, forcing them to use limited energy reserves to escape the intruders. Snowmobiles are particularly troublesome. To protect a healthy herd of game, stay away from wildlife winter habitat. Winter habitat is usually found in foothills and lowlands below snow level.

• Resource roads. Logging, mining, and oil drilling roads are often closed to the public when accidents could occur with heavy trucks. Some primitive roads, requiring high clearance vehicles, may be open to OHV's. Refer to your Travel Map.

CLOSED YEAR AROUND:

• Wilderness. Law forbids motorized vehicles from entering Wildernesses. Foot or horseback travel affords a frontier experience.

• Meadows, new forests, steep hillsides, streambanks, and lakeshores. To protect delicate, fragile meadow plants and young trees, grasses and shrubs and to prevent soil erosion, scars, and water pollution, these sensitive areas are always closed to OHV use.

• Roads and trails no longer open for use. Some steep trails have been replaced by better quality ones. Some old mining or logging operations have shut down and their roads closed. These are illustrated on the Travel Map or with signs. **Main** roads (those readily passable to low clearance sedans) are not open to ATV's or unlicensed dirt bikes.

• Habitat for endangered wildlife. An area may be closed to the public to prevent disturbance and help endangered or threatened species. ATV's disturb these unique creatures and hinder their survival.

BE AWARE! By state law, most dirt bikes, ATV's, and their unlicensed operators, are not legal on roads designed for and used by low clearance sedans. Roadway signing and the Travel Map will identify roads, areas, and trails as open, closed, or restricted to travel.

SAMPLE MAP EXPLANATION KEY

ROAD [A] and TRAIL (B) OPPORTUNITIES/RESTRICTIONS

REFERENCE SYMBOL	HIGH CLEARANCE VEHICLES (4x4's & PICKUPS)	TWO-WHEEL MOTORIZED VEHICLES	SNOWMOBILES	ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES (ATV'S)	SEDANS	BICYCLES	PURPOSE OF RESTRICTION
[A]	Prohibited Yearlong	Prohibited Yearlong	Prohibited Yearlong	Prohibited Yearlong	Prohibited Yearlong	Prohibited Yearlong	Erosion Control
(B)	Restricted Max. Speed 15 mph	Permitted May 15 - Oct. 15 Max. Speed 15 mph	Permitted Dec. 1 - May 15	Permitted May 15 - Oct. 15 Max. Speed 15 mph	Prohibited Yearlong	Permitted May 15 - Oct. 15	Erosion Control and Conflict of Use
(C)	Prohibited Yearlong	Permitted June 15 - Nov. 1	Permitted Dec. 1 - May 15	Prohibited Yearlong	Prohibited Yearlong	Permitted June 15 - Nov. 1	Erosion Control and Conflict of Use
[D]	Permitted June 15 - Nov. 1	Permitted June 15 - Nov. 1	Permitted Dec. 1 - May 15	Permitted June 15 - Nov. 1	Prohibited Yearlong	Permitted June 15 - Nov. 1	Prevent Road Damage
(E)	Prohibited Yearlong	Permitted June 1 - Oct. 15	Prohibited	Prohibited Yearlong	Prohibited	Permitted June 1 - Oct. 15	Big Horn Sheep Lambing Grounds
[F]	Prohibited July - Nov.	Prohibited	Permitted Dec. 1 - May 15	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited July - Nov.	Protect Wildlife - Summer Range
(G)	Prohibited Yearlong	Permitted June 1 - Oct. 15	Permitted Dec. 1 - May 15	Prohibited Yearlong	Prohibited Yearlong	Permitted June 1 - Oct. 15	Erosion Control
[H]	Prohibited Yearlong	Permitted June 15 - Nov. 1	Prohibited	Permitted June 15 - Nov. 1	Prohibited Yearlong	Permitted June 15 - Nov. 1	Elk Winter Range
etc.							

AREA USE OPPORTUNITIES/RESTRICTIONS

There may be some trails or roads which are designated open in areas otherwise restricted to vehicles. They are specially noted on the map.

REFERENCE NUMBER	VEHICLES RESTRICTED	PURPOSE OF RESTRICTION
(1)	All vehicles prohibited yearlong	Wilderness or Special Area
(2)	All motor vehicles prohibited yearlong except on routes as shown on this map. Snowmobiles and other oversnow vehicles permitted Dec. 1 - May 15	Erosion Control and Conflict of Use
(3)	All motor vehicles prohibited Sept. 15 - June 15 except on routes as shown on this map. Snowmobiles permitted Dec. 1 - May 15	Erosion Control and Conflict of Use
(4)	All motor vehicles prohibited Dec. 1 - May 15	Elk Winter Range
(5)	Vehicles over 48" width prohibited yearlong except on routes shown on this map. Snowmobiles permitted Dec. 1 - May 15	Big Horn Sheep Lambing Grounds
(6)	All motor vehicles prohibited yearlong except snowmobiles permitted Dec. 1 - May 15	Protect Wildlife - Summer Range
etc.		

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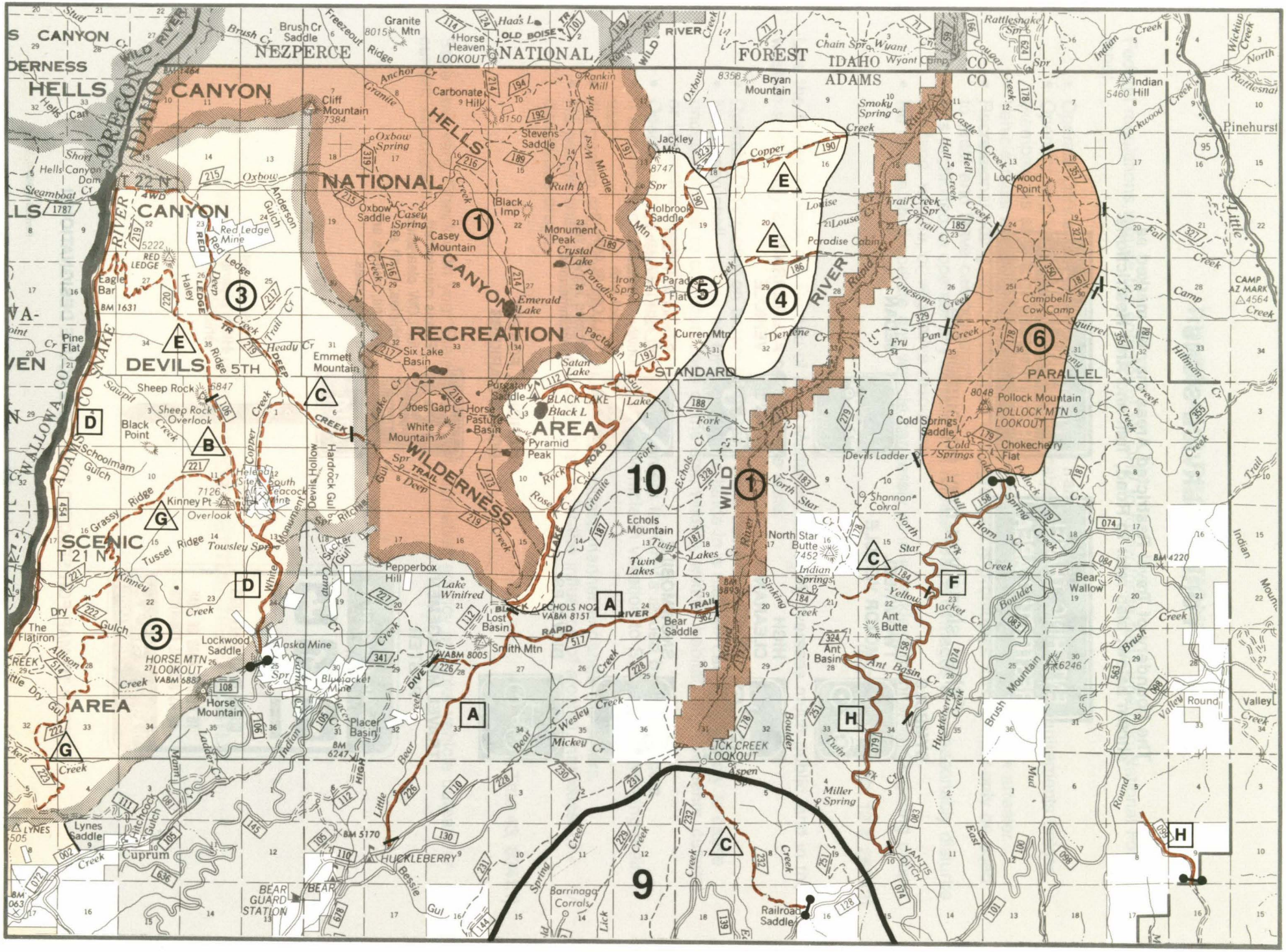
SAMPLE TRAVEL MAP LEGEND

	Lands not covered by this map	This Travel Map applies only to the National Forest
	National Forest areas, roads, and trails open to all vehicles, except where restricted	These areas, roads, and trails are generally unrestricted—exceptions are noted on the map or signed on the ground
	National Forest areas, roads, and trails closed yearlong to all vehicles	Congressionally designated wilderness and other areas managed to provide non-motorized recreation
	National Forest areas, roads, or trails with restrictions	Types of vehicles and time periods of restrictions are listed under AREA USE RESTRICTIONS
	Road	Route open to motorized/mechanized vehicles in an area that is otherwise restricted
	Trail	
	Road with restrictions	Types of vehicles and time periods of restrictions are listed under ROAD AND TRAIL RESTRICTIONS
	Trail with restrictions	
	Area Reference Number	
	Boundary between Restricted Areas	
	Game Unit Boundary (optional)	
10	Game Unit Number (optional)	
	Gate	
—	Point of Restriction	Barriers, earth fill, ditch, etc.

MAP SYMBOLS OR FIELD SIGNS

	High Clearance Vehicle (4x4's & Pickups)	Motor vehicles of 48'' width or more
	Two-wheel Motor Vehicle	Two-wheel vehicles such as trail bikes, scooters, or motorcycles designed for trail use. No other vehicles may be used on any Forest trails, unless otherwise designated
	Snowmobile	Snowmobiles or any other vehicle capable of oversnow travel. This would include vehicles which run on cleats, belts, tracks, or skis
	All-terrain Vehicle (ATV)	All-terrain vehicles (3 and 4 wheels)
	Bicycles	Bicycles
	Sedan	Passenger vehicles, motorhomes, and other low clearance vehicles
	Symbol with a red slash indicates activity not allowed. Symbol with a yellow slash indicates activity not recommended	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Lockwood Point
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Pollock Mountain
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Emerald Lake
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Purgatory Saddle
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Joes Gap
Horse Pasture Basin
White Mountain
Pyramid Peak
Sheep Rock
Sheep Rock Overlook
Black Point
Schoolmam Gulch
Kinney Pt Overlook
Pepperbox Hill
Lake Winifred
Lost Basin
Twin Lakes
Echols Mountain
North Star Butte
Indian Springs
Ant Butte
Ant Basin
Bear Saddle
Smith Mtn
Lockwood Saddle
Alaska Mine
Bluejacket Mine
Horse Mountain
Placer Basin
Lynes Saddle
Cuprum
HUCKLEBERRY
BEAR GUARD STATION
Barrinaga Corrals
Railroad Saddle
Miller Spring
Aspen
Bear Wallow
Round Valley
Red Ledge Mine
Eagle Bar
Emmett Mountain
Helena Site
Peacock Mine
Towsley Spr
Tussel Ridge
Kinney Ridge
Lakes Creek
Deep Creek
Granite Creek
Rock Creek
Copper Creek
Devils Hollow
Hardrock Gulch
Sucker Gulch
Dry Gulch
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Huckleberry Creek
Twin Creek
Mud Creek
Round Valley Creek
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Yellow Jacket Cr
Sinking Creek
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Echols Rapid
Lake Creek
Pacific Creek
Paradise Creek
Trail Creek
Louse Cr
Dennene Cr
Fry Pan Creek
Lonesome Creek
Cold Springs Creek
Devils Ladder
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Smoky Spring
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Rattlesnake Spr
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Wickiup Creek
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FOREST SERVICE SIGNS

The boundary of Travel Restricted Areas may be marked as shown below; also refer to Road, Trail and Area Restrictions:

Other signs you may encounter are:

SYMBOLS

TWO-WHEEL MOTOR VEHICLE

SEDAN

HIGH CLEARANCE VEHICLE 4x4 & PICKUP

ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE

SNOWMOBILE

Symbol with RED SLASH indicates activity not allowed. Symbol with YELLOW SLASH indicates activity not recommended.

BICYCLES

NATIONAL FOREST ROUTE MARKERS

Roads maintained for LOW clearance vehicles, such as sedans, trailers and motorhomes.

Roads suitable for HIGH clearance vehicles only.

TRAVEL MANAGEMENT POSTER

REFER TO MAP FOR SPECIFIC VEHICLE & ROUTE DESIGNATIONS!

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

Federal regulations require the operator of an OHV to follow these rules when on National Forest land:

- Operate OHV's only on areas, roads, and trails designated open.
- Operator and vehicle must meet all applicable State vehicle/operator requirements unless exempted as shown on Travel Map.
- Vehicle must be equipped with appropriate manufacturer's muffler and spark arrester.
- Recreational riding within developed campgrounds is prohibited. OHV's may only be used to enter and leave campgrounds.
- It is prohibited to operate any vehicle in a manner which damages or unreasonably disturbs the land, wildlife, or vegetative resources.
- No person shall operate any vehicle carelessly or in a reckless manner endangering others.

(CFR Title 36 261.12 & 261.13)

Like the Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) oversees much public land in the western states. Key BLM regulations on OHV use state:

- Operate OHV's only on areas, roads, and trails designated open.
- No person shall operate an OHV on public lands in a manner causing or likely to cause undue damage to or disturbance of the soil, wildlife, wildlife habitat, improvements, cultural or vegetative resources.
- Operators must conform to designation orders for OHV's issued by BLM officers.
- It is prohibited to operate an off-highway vehicle in violation to State laws governing their use.
- No person shall operate any vehicle in a reckless manner endangering others.
- No person shall operate any vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, narcotics, or dangerous drugs.

(CFR Title 43, 8341.1)

State laws vary. Check with your State parks and recreation agency or motor vehicle bureau for current information.

PROTECT YOUR FUTURE OPPORTUNITITES—TREAD LIGHTLY!

TREAD LIGHTLY QUIZ

1. The best speed at which to cross a streambed is...
   a) the lowest gear
   b) full speed ahead
   c) pushing the ATV

2. When approaching hikers or horses on the trail, the ATVer should...
   a) speed past so the slow travelers are out of sight quickly
   b) approach slowly and talk loudly to alert them of your approach
   c) pull off the trail until they pass; speak softly to horses

3. To find out where to go in the mountains...
   a) ask a friend
   b) use a Forest Service Travel Map
   c) just start riding and exploring

4. To get where you're going in the forest...
   a) take the straightest route
   b) drive slowly and nonstop over rough terrain
   c) stay on the trail and be alert for hazards

5. When passing through a gate...
   a) leave it open for the next ATVer who comes up the trail
   b) shut it because livestock may escape
   c) leave it the way you found it

6. When you spot an elk and her calf...
   a) ride over quickly to see them before they run off
   b) pass slowly so they are not bothered by your presence
   c) race your motor to warn them you are in the area

7. If you have a choice between ascending a steep hill or taking the slow way by the trail...
   a) take the hill, especially if alone
   b) stay on the trail only until you're out of sight of others
   c) stay on the trail always

8. Wet trails and roads, and soft, wet meadows should be...
   a) used for speed trials
   b) avoided at all costs
   c) used for figure eight practice

9. Chasing an animal with an ATV is...
   a) exciting and enjoyable for the animal
   b) dangerous to the animal's survival, especially in winter
   c) what ATV's were designed to do

10. Pioneering a new trail is...
    a) inappropriate and bad for the forest's soil
    b) helpful to the Forest Service
    c) hard work everyone should do

11. When riding your ATV in a campground, you should...
    a) drive fast and get out of camp quickly
    b) drive slowly, courteously, and quietly
    c) ride it any way you wish

12. The Forest Service Travel Map tells us...
    a) road and travel restrictions - and why they are so designated
    b) road and travel locations
    c) where ATV's can and cannot travel
    d) area use locations and restrictions
    e) where to go and how to get there
    f) county, state, and federal laws
    g) shapes and meanings of signs
    h) all of the above

13. You can ride ONLY on some National Forest roads. These roads are...
    a) designated on the Travel Map
    b) not roads that are **main** vehicle travel routes for low-clearance sedans
    c) usually roads that are passable by high clearance vehicles
    d) slow speed routes (roads) and do not accommodate low-clearance sedans
    e) all of the above

14. To protect the rights of ATVers on the public lands...
    a) no one else should be allowed
    b) be rude to everyone who doesn't ride an ATV
    c) always TREAD LIGHTLY

15. When entering private land, a hunter must...
    a) obtain the owner's permission
    b) follow instructions and directions exactly
    c) say "thanks" before leaving
    d) all of the above

Score: _____ right

Answers: 1-a; 2-c; 3-b; 4-c; 5-c; 6-b; 7-c; 8-b; 9-b; 10-a; 11-b; 12-h; 13-e; 14-c; 15-d.

TREAD LIGHTLY!

To protect future opportunities for access, and to make friends, won't you take the pledge to TREAD LIGHTLY on our public lands?

I PLEDGE TO TREAD LIGHTLY BY.....

T RAVELING ONLY WHERE MOTORIZED VEHICLES ARE PERMITTED.

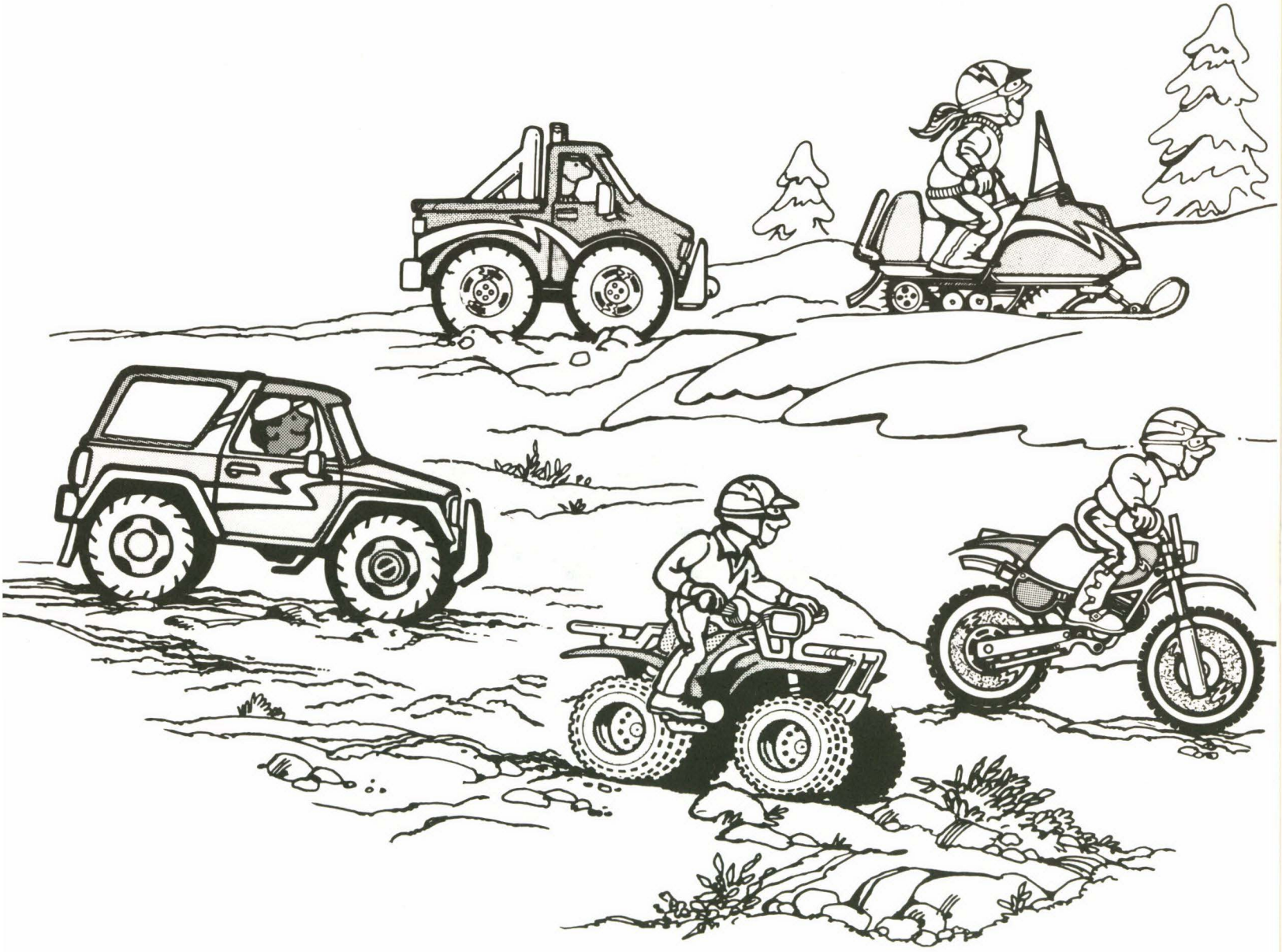
R ESPECTING THE RIGHTS OF HIKERS, SKIERS, CAMPERS, AND OTHERS TO ENJOY THEIR ACTIVITIES UNDISTURBED.

E DUCATING MYSELF BY OBTAINING TRAVEL MAPS AND REGULATIONS FROM PUBLIC AGENCIES, COMPLYING WITH SIGNS AND BARRIERS, AND ASKING OWNERS' PERMISSION TO CROSS PRIVATE PROPERTY.

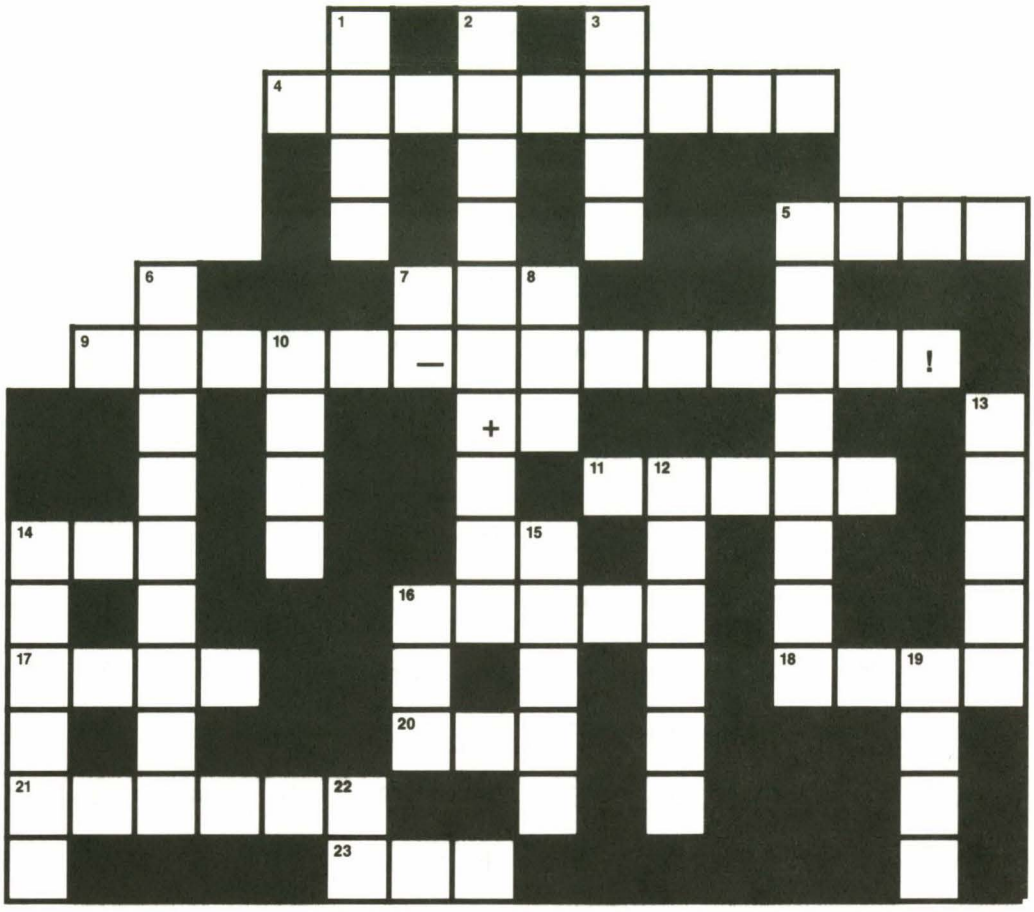
A VOIDING STREAMS, LAKESHORES, MEADOWS, MUDDY ROADS AND TRAILS, STEEP HILLSIDES, WILDLIFE, AND LIVESTOCK.

D RIVING RESPONSIBLY TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT AND PRESERVE OPPORTUNITIES TO ENJOY MY VEHICLE ON WILD LANDS.

TEASERS
Just for Fun



CROSSWORD PUZZLE



ACROSS

4. Polite
5. Kind of a person who takes care of the land
7. Will you TREAD LIGHTLY?
9. THEME OF THIS PACKET
11. A little hill
14. Driving ATV's is ___
16. Fun activity
17. Part of a fishing pole
18. How to drive through mud
20. Man's best friend
21. Cross in low, slow gear
23. Used for listening

DOWN

1. You must consult a map to find this
2. NECESSARY GUIDE
3. The animal you hunt
5. Creatures in the forest
6. Map reader
8. To tear up the hills is a ___
10. Abbreviation for All-Terrain Vehicles
12. Mother _____
13. To take pleasure in
14. Big bucks live here
15. Ground over which NOT to drive ATV's
16. State of our earth if we don't TREAD LIGHTLY!
19. What careless riding can do to the land
22. Who is responsible for protecting the land?

WORD SEARCH

How many words can you find in the WORD SEARCH? There are 26 words. You may find them written left to right, up and down, or diagonally.

D	P	T	H	Y	O	A	T	V	M	Q	J
T	E	R	S	C	O	U	R	T	E	S	Y
V	A	E	I	P	E	R	M	I	T	I	W
T	R	A	R	M	A	R	K	C	G	E	I
C	T	D	U	H	I	R	E	Y	U	T	L
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O	T	R	A	V	E	L	M	A	P	I	T
P	Z	S	P	O	R	T	S	M	A	N	U
E	P	Q	S	H	K	T	R	A	I	L	S
N	X	W	I	L	D	L	I	F	E	R	Z

WORDS:

Tread Lightly
ATV
Hunter
Travel Map
Permit
Closed Roads
Primitive
Wilderness
Ethics
Earth
Safety
Deer
Trails
Open
Obey Law
Caution
Courtesy
Sportsman
Forests
Wildlife
Guns
Area

MAP READING

To be a good OHV operator, you need to be a good map reader...and to be a good map reader takes practice.

Try your skills on this map quiz—if you have questions, see the Forest Service Travel Map legend for clues.

	Symbol	Answer
1.		_____
2.		_____
3.		_____
4.		_____
5.		_____
6.		_____
7.		_____
8.		_____
9.		_____
10.	**46**	_____

CHOOSE FROM THESE WORDS:

Designated trail with restrictions
Game unit boundary
Designated trail
Designated road with restrictions
Map symbol or field sign
Designated road
Area reference number
Gate
Closed or restricted
Point of restriction

CRYPTOGRAM

A - :	J - &	S - (
B - *	K - ●	T - ½
C - ★	L - %	U - ″
D - ?	M - =	V -)
E - ✓	N - +	W - ¼
F - □	O - ■	X -]
G - @	P - $	Y - †
H - !	Q - ◄	Z - §
I - ;	R - #	

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ANSWER PAGE

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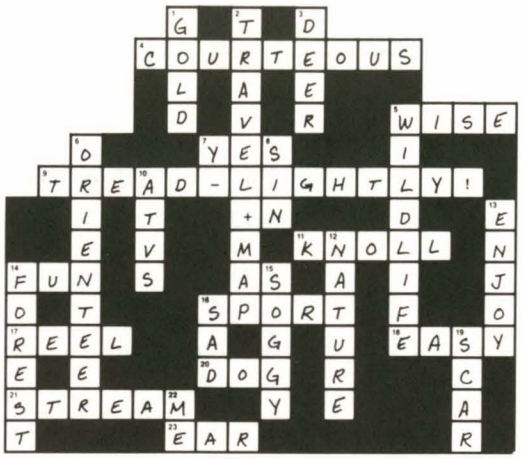

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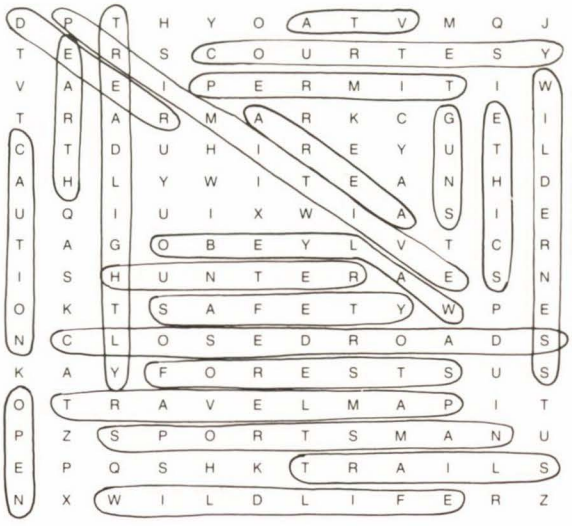

MAP READING

	Symbol	Answer
1.	A	Designated road with restrictions
2.	—	Point of restriction
3.	3	Area reference number
4.		Map symbol or field sign
5.	- - -	Designated trail
6.	B - - -	Designated trail with restrictions
7.		Gate
8.		Designated road
9.		Closed or restricted
10.	46	Game unit boundary and number

CRYPTOGRAM

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DEAR ATV OPERATOR

? # ;) ✓ ★ : # ✓ □ " % % †

DRIVE CAREFULLY

! :) ✓ □ " +

HAVE FUN

½ # ✓ : ? % ; @ ! ½ % †

TREAD LIGHTLY

! : $ $ † ½ # : ; % (

HAPPY TRAILS

Outdoor Creed

Nature bestows upon us peace and harmony. Live in accord with it . . . feel joy and thankfulness in your heart. Strive to avoid conflict with this generous gift as we are but short-term stewards, privileged to protect and preserve this magnificent earth.

Pollute not the air, for it gives us life . . . without it, we are naught.

Pollute not the rivers, the streams, the lakes. These waters are home to our fish and lifegiving to our flora, our fauna, and ourselves.

Litter not the wonder and splendor of forests, mountains, byways, and trails, meadows, woods, and deserts. Bury not nature's beauties and rich bounties beneath trash and debris. Leave no trace behind thee.

Take only the fish, the fowl, the game that you can use at one time so there will be more tomorrow. Wanton slaughter leaves less for the years to come.

All species belong in the Master Plan. Disturb not their homes nor their young so they may multiply and replenish their kind, and forever perpetuate in their rightful places.

Wildflowers, fragile plants, and saplings live but a day if plucked, but will perpetuate forever if left untouched. Pluck and trample not the vegetation of the land.

Tread lightly across the trails . . . through the Wilderness . . . and over the earth lest it be wounded and scarred forevermore.

Respect nature's laws so that your sons and daughters, your grandsons and granddaughters and those coming after them may live in nature's bosom of provisions and beauties.

Love and preserve the land and all thereon, for as you do, so shall you reap the rewards of nature's eternal offerings.

Carol-Ann Jensen, Ogden, Utah

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